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Plan to share Jerusalem presented to PA

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A SECRET report commissioned by the Foreign Ministry on possible solutions to the Jerusalem question was transferred to Oslo Accord architects Professors Ron Pundak and Yair Hirschfeld, who then presented it to Palestinian negotiators.

Sources involved in the project said a central recommendation of the report is that Israel and the PA "suspend their claims for sovereignty, and instead talk about the possibilities of division of power."

Given that both sides are theoretically open to border changes, such a move is seen as the best way of arriving at a solution over the city's future.

Negotiators would have an easier time working out a solution with an enlarged Jerusalem, where clearer boundaries can be drawn between Palestinian and Israeli areas, than within the city's present boundaries, according to the report.

He blamed Minister without Portfolio Yossi Beilin for being behind the report. A spokesman for Beilin, Aviv Shiran, last night blasted Olmert. "It appears this is part of the defamatory propaganda of (Continued on Page 9)



Fourteen of the world's most renowned chefs gather around one of the tables set for diners at King David's Feast in Jerusalem last night. (Story, Page 3)

'Mossad agent in Cyprus handled Shkaki hit'

A DAMASCUS-based Palestinian student working for the Islamic Jihad and recruited by the Mossad gave his Mossad handler in Cyprus the number of the false Libyan passport Fathi Shkaki used while traveling to Malta last fall, enabling Israel to execute the terrorist. US News and World Report journalist Brian Duffy related details of the incident to The Jerusalem Post, citing a "veteran intelligence official who has extensive Middle East experience."

Both the student and the handler from Cyprus, neither of whose identities is known, were arrested by Syrian authorities, said Duffy, a senior editor for investigations who has written extensively on the American intelligence community.

predecessor, Yitzhak Rabin, denied any knowledge of Shkaki's killing. Meanwhile, Peres yesterday said Israel awaits Syria's fulfilling a US request to condemn the four recent suicide bus bombings. The prime minister fell short of saying that Israel was linking a resumption of the talks to a Syria condemnation, but so far no new round of talks has been scheduled.

Hizbullah threatens Katyusha strikes

HIZBULLAH vowed yesterday to retaliate with Katyusha rocket attacks on the Galilee, if the IDF shells villages north of the security zone, according to a statement carried in Lebanese newspapers yesterday.

Lebanese radio stations also reported a massive build-up of IDF troops in the security zone. Northern Command sources denied the reports, saying that IDF troops were on alert, but all activities were normal.

Nevertheless, Lebanese radio stations continued to broadcast reports of an imminent IDF operation. Hizbullah leaders were reported to be in hiding and the organization issued a statement warning of a harsh response if the IDF attacked.

By late last night, there were still no reports of any major incidents in south Lebanon or of any villagers north of the zone leaving their homes, although the atmosphere remained tense.

Captured would-be suicide bomber: Money, visions of paradise convinced me

A WOULD-BE Islamic Jihad suicide bomber, captured before his planned attack in Tel Aviv, said yesterday that the offer of \$6,000 for his family, the ability to protect them, and the prospect of 72 virgins in paradise convinced him to carry out the attack.

Allowed to give the interview to Channel 1's Arabic service by the Palestinian Authority, he said he regretted his actions and was glad he had been stopped. "I don't recommend that anyone commit suicide like this because you don't know if you will be a martyr or not in the end," he said.

Meanwhile, Irim reported that a Gaza imam issued a religious ruling that suicide bombings are contrary to Islamic law. Sheikh Mahmud Alabani is considered close to the Palestinian Authority and is not widely known among Palestinian youth. There have been no other notable rulings by senior and respected religious leaders.

Suspects held in youth's gangland murder

TEL AVIV police have arrested a number of suspects in yesterday's murder of 17-year-old Eyal Rnmano-Harari, of Pardess Katz, as he was on his way to high school.

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Filipino man gets three life terms for slayings

RAINE MARCUS

A FILIPINO national who murdered three people last year, including two Filipinas, was sentenced to three consecutive life sentences by the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday.

Joss Matias was arrested after a lengthy investigation following the discovery of Donna Pinol and her boyfriend Avner Harel, whose decomposed bodies were found in a vehicle left running in the parking lot at Morasha cemetery.

The two had been bound and gagged and had been stabbed dozens of times. Their bodies were initially left for around a week near Petah Tikva's Rabin (Bellinson) Hospital before the murderer moved them to the cemetery.

Around six months earlier, the body of Rosita Salinas was found in the Ramat Gan villa where she was employed. She had been stabbed and shot. The pistol had been stolen by Matias's cousin who is still awaiting trial. A third man escaped to the Philippines. The murderers stole cameras and gold jewelry valued at around \$3,000 from Salinas.

However, police made no headway with the investigation and only solved the murder of Salinas after they probed the double murder of Pino and Harel. The latter investigation also took police several months and involved the questioning hundreds of members of the Philippine community here, following the unwillingness of the embassy to assist detectives.

Robbery was also the motive in the slaying of Pinol, who was a beautician and who sold jewelry to her fellow Filipinas, and Matias and his accomplices stole tens of thousands of dollars worth of jewelry from her and Harel.

In sentencing Matias yesterday, Judge Sara Sirota said that charges of abduction and theft, not filed by the prosecution, were unnecessary compared to three charges of premeditated murder.

Cajun goes Kosher at King David's Feast

CAJUN and kosher cooking don't usually come in the same mouthful, but when New Orleans chef Paul Prudhomme came to Israel, kosher took a turn for the spicier.

Prudhomme, chef of K-Paul's Louisiana Kitchen, was one of 14 international chefs who cooked up a 14-course banquet last night as part of the city's Jerusalem 3000 festivities.

Prudhomme's contribution to the \$600-a-plate feast: a specially created veal dish seasoned with the smoky flavors of his childhood in rural Louisiana.

"After learning about and starting to understand kosher rules, I thought it made more sense to start from scratch," Prudhomme said, as his team of chefs bustled about preparing for the King David's Feast.

Prudhomme and his staff took lessons in kosher cooking in New York and New Orleans before flying here. Making the change was easier than he had imagined, he said.

Leaving butter and cream out of recipes was similar to the process he went through when he wrote his low-fat cookbook *Fork in the Road*, he said.

"To me those things are a mind-set." His offering for the Jerusalem 3000 feast: veal medallions wrapped in thin strips of smoked veal tasso served with a mango glaze, seasoned vegetables and couscous.

The tasso is based on the smoked and dried meats Prudhomme grew up with in Opelousas, La., where his family cooked over a wood-burning stove and preserved food by smoking and drying because they had no refrigerator.

Prudhomme's veal dish was the 13th course in a meal that ran the gamut from Paris Chef Joel Robuchon's truffled cream of white beans with smoked goose breast to gelee of Acacia honey with strawberries prepared by Chef Michel Trama of Puymirol, France.

For Gershon Schwadron, a Brooklyn chef and Orthodox Jew who volunteered to work on Prudhomme's team, it was a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

"I could never eat Prudhomme or Robuchon's food because it wasn't kosher," he explained. "The only time I get kosher cajun food is when I turn on my oven. This is a dream come true."

Prudhomme said he's barely had time to taste the local cuisine. But he plans to remedy that before he leaves - with cooking lessons from three Israeli chefs. (AP)



Rabbi Yitzhak Ginsburgh is escorted into the Supreme Court yesterday to appeal his administrative detention. (Flash 90)

Yeshiva head appeals detention

EVELYN GORDON

THE Supreme Court yesterday heard an appeal by Rabbi Yitzhak Ginsburgh, head of the Od Yosef Chai Yeshiva in Nablus, against his administrative detention.

Justice Dalia Dorner is to issue her decision within the next few days. The delay is meant to give Ginsburgh's lawyers time to submit samples of his articles and lectures, to prove that, contrary to the state's claim, he is not inciting students to commit violence against Arabs.

Ginsburgh, a Habad rabbi who lives in Kfar Habad, was detained last week for 60 days. According to attorneys Naftali Werzberger and Mordechai Mintzer, the state has admitted that Ginsburgh himself does not pose a danger, but fears that some student might misunderstand his lectures and do violence to Arabs as a result.

Ginsburgh has called for the state to take action against Arabs in response to the recent wave of terror attacks, but says he has made it clear that he is calling for action by the state, and not from individuals.

According to Mintzer, Tel Aviv

District Court Judge Menachem Ilan, who heard Ginsburgh's initial appeal again

at his detention, said he understood the distinction Ginsburgh was making, but nevertheless agreed with the state that a not-too-bright student might fail to grasp the distinction, and therefore agreed that Ginsburgh was dangerous.

"By this logic, a university lecturer wouldn't be able to teach for fear that one of his students might misunderstand his message," said Werzberger.

Werzberger said this is the first time a Jew has been placed in administrative detention not because the state considered him a danger, but because he might unwittingly encourage someone else to commit a crime.

"This is a detention on pure ideology," he said, adding that the state did not supply any cases in which one of Ginsburgh's students actually terrorized an Arab because of his lectures.

The entire hearing was held behind closed doors, as mandated by law. However, Werzberger said Dorner sharply criticized this procedure, and told government attorney Michael Blass that the law should be changed.

Meanwhile, in other news, the Prisons Service has agreed to allow another administrative detainee, Aryeh Friedman, to pray with a minyan and get kosher food from home. The state had been ordered to grant Friedman these benefits by Supreme Court Justice Zvi Tal, on the grounds that Friedman has not been charged with anything, and should therefore be allowed all the privileges of an innocent man, consistent with security considerations. The Prisons Service had initially refused to obey this order, but agreed to do so after Friedman reapplied to Tal.

Mintzer, who is Friedman's attorney, also said the state had promised to release Friedman before Pesach - about 10 days early - if no new information is received to indicate that he might be a danger.

Man convicted 7 1/2 years after murdering grocer

A TEL AVIV man was convicted yesterday of the murder of a grocer during an attempted robbery in the city in 1988.

Oren Damari was one of three masked men who entered Daniel Habibi's store in the city's Yad Eliahu district in November 1988. When asked to leave by Habibi and his wife, one of them stabbed the grocer to death, with the three then fleeing without taking anything.

Police were unable to find those

responsible for seven years, but Damari was arrested about a year ago after information was received by police. Police then determined that the three who entered the grocery were Damari, Roni Amram and Yitzhak Amsalem. Amram turned state's witness and was tried for attempted robbery and sentenced to seven years in jail.

Amsalem was also sentenced to attempted robbery and received a two-year jail term.

Tel Aviv District Court Judges Amnon Strashnov, Ze'ev Hammer and Shelly Timan were divided regarding Damari's conviction, with Timan questioning the reliability of Amram's testimony.

Hammer believed Amram was the one who stabbed the grocer, but agreed with Strashnov, who headed the tribunal, and convicted the accused. He is to be sentenced at a later date.

(Iim)

Police recommend charging former ministry spokesman

BILL HUTMAN

THE investigation into allegations of bribe-taking by former Transport Ministry spokesman Eli Danon is completed and the findings have been passed on to the Tel Aviv District Attorney's Office, the police spokesman announced yesterday. Police sources said the files turned over included a recommendation that charges be filed against Danon. The police spokesman declined to comment, on grounds police do not officially announce their recommendations on whether to file charges. The investigation was carried out by the National Fraud Squad and forced the resignation of Danon from his post last year. Danon was also put under house arrest during a period of the inquiry. Police found Danon received large kickbacks from several advertising agencies in return for approving them to work on ministry projects, the sources said. The agency owners were also investigated and may also be charged, the sources added.

Haredi hotel to be built on Mt. Meron

HAIM SHAPIRO

PRIVATE mikvas, banquet halls, and a helicopter landing pad for rebbes are to be among the facilities at Hadar Meron, a haredi hotel on Mt. Meron.

The 250-room, four-star hotel, whose cornerstone is to be laid today, is expected to cost some \$22 million. It is to include special suites for the hassidic rebbes, each with its own private mikva. A series of banquet halls will make it possible for every rebbe to host his own meal.

According to project manager Yoav Tal, the cornerstone laying was preceded by intensive seismographic soundings, to ensure the construction of the hotel would not disturb any ancient burial sites.

All construction work will be carried out in accordance with Aza-Kadisha, the organization to protect ancient Jewish burial places. A special panoramic walkway is to connect the hotel with the nearby tomb of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai.

NEWS IN BRIEF

New study center for Dead Sea Scrolls

The Qanon Center for the Study of the Dead Sea Scrolls and Associated Literature is to be dedicated today at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. The center was initiated by Jewish studies Prof. Michael Stone, who is its first chairman. It will concentrate all aspects of the study of the scrolls, the deciphering of which is nearing completion. Jerusalem Post Staff

Jerusalem Conference of Mayors opens

OVER 40 mayors from all over the world are slated to attend the Jerusalem Conference of Mayors, which opens today in the capital. The week-long conference, held annually since 1980, is to center on discussions and lectures connected with the theme, "Uniqueness, Diversity, and Development." President Ezer Weizman, Prime Minister Shimon Peres, and Mayor Ehud Olmert are to address the gathering. Organizers said a large turnout was expected. Bill Hutman

Dozens of youths held for drugs

POLICE have arrested several dozen Hadera-area youths on suspicion of using illegal drugs, including hashish, marijuana, LSD, and Ecstasy. Among those arrested were nine 15-year-old girls. Police said an informant led to the arrests of the teenagers, some of whom would smoke hashish and marijuana on the grounds of a Hadera high school. Three adults suspected of dealing drugs were also arrested and remanded for seven days. Iim

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New French Hill overpass to open in capital

BILL HUTMAN

DRIVERS in Jerusalem who suffered recently from the traffic jams caused by the visit of President Clinton were yesterday given something to cheer about by City Hall - a promise that the second French Hill overpass will open at the end of the month.

The opening should greatly ease the commute from northern

Jerusalem neighborhoods such as Pissgat Ze'ev and Neveh Ya'acov, and other areas to the north, the city spokesman said in a statement yesterday.

The first span of the overpass was finished last year and has already greatly improved the commute from north Jerusalem.

The single two-lane span has been used for traffic in both directions, at the busy intersections of Ma'aleh Adumim and Ramallah Roads.

The total cost of the about 400-meter-long two-span overpass was NIS 10 million.

The spokesman said the official opening of the second span would be on Sunday, March 31.

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The electricity generating capacity of the Hagit Power Station has just been doubled at an investment of some \$80 million. Two new gas turbines friendly to the environment will add another 230 megawatts to the country's electricity generating capacity.

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- This is the first time in Israel that new turbines have been fitted with special burners that reduce the level of NOx (nitrogen-oxides) even beyond the strictest demands of the environment protection agencies.

Complex drainage systems have been installed, incorporating special oil-separators that protect water sources in the area.

The new generating units are equipped with noise-reduction acoustic casing.

Israel Electric's environmental policy is based on the need to meet the country's growing demand for more reliable electricity, and to ensure Israel's population a better quality of life.

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'Appeals against army court should go to High Court'

EVELYN GORDON

ANYONE who wants to appeal a decision of the army's judge advocate-general should go to the High Court of Justice, rather than to the attorney-general as has been the procedure until now...



Italian IFOR soldiers guard suspected arsonists arrested in the center of Grbavica, the last Serb-held suburb of Sarajevo yesterday. Fires raged unattended in the suburb as NATO troops patrolled the streets trying to preserve order ahead of its transfer to the Moslem-Croat federation today.

Serbs loot Sarajevo suburb, NATO raps both sides

SARAJEVO (Reuters) - Fleeing Serbs hurriedly plundered a smoldering Sarajevo suburb yesterday one day before its transfer to Moslem-Croat rule as NATO's chief accused both sides of undermining Bosnia's peace process...

actions of the Federation authorities have been far from reassuring. Solana told a news conference. In suburbs already transferred to federation control the mostly elderly Serbs who chose to remain have endured intimidation and forced evictions by returning Moslems and Croats...

The federation's own uncertain future featured on the agenda of a high-level meeting yesterday called in Geneva by US Secretary of State Warren Christopher to discuss the prob-

Germans tighten security as Iran explosives found

MUNICH (Reuters) - Munich police said yesterday they had tightened security at Israeli premises and other possible terror targets after Belgian police found explosives destined for the south German city on an Iranian ship.

The investigations did not immediately produce any concrete indication of what the target of an attack might have been, Munich authorities said. Despite this, security was tightened another notch at Israeli premises, already under close guard since the wave of suicide bombings in Israel by radical Palestinians opposed to the peace process.

IDF implements conclusions drawn from recent fatal attack in south Lebanon

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

THE Northern Command has completed its investigation into the March 4 ambush which killed a senior officer and three soldiers and wounded nine, the army said.

Odysseus Elytis, Greek Nobel Poet, 84

ATHENS (AP) - Odysseus Elytis, the Nobel-winning poet famed for his sensuous lyrics about Greece's islands and turbulent history, died yesterday. He was 84.

lawyer George Stefanakis said. In recent days Elytis had insisted that no official speeches be made following his death.

the Nobel Prize for literature in 1979, becoming the second Greek poet to receive the award. The Swedish Academy said at the time that Elytis's poetry "starts out from the Greek tradition and describes, with emotional power and high spiritual distinction, modern man's struggle for freedom and creativity."

Theodorakis who set it to music. Born Odysseus Alepoudelis on 2 Nov. 1911 in Iraklion on Crete, the son of a wealthy family of soap manufacturers, Elytis lived most of his life in a modest Athens bachelor apartment.

Jordan Valley settlers disappointed by Peres meeting

HEADS of Jordan Valley settlements and representatives from Ma'aleh Ephraim emerged disappointed from a meeting yesterday with Prime Minister Shimon Peres.

Alhayani added that there was concern about the lack of development of water resources in the Jordan Valley, which affects plans for absorbing new residents.

Central African leaders launch crackdown on Rwanda intimidators

TUNIS (AP) - Targeting intimidation as the chief obstacle to repatriating Rwanda's refugees, five Central African leaders launched a new crackdown yesterday on hooligans in the camps.

not true and many returning refugees have been arrested. Rumors and threats also abound, frightening people from going home.

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70 youths have AIDS

BATSHEVA TSUR

SOME 70 youngsters are known to be "living with AIDS," in the country, the head of the Israel AIDS Task Force said yesterday, and the majority are able to stay in school.

With heartfelt condolences to the family, and in deep sorrow, we mourn the loss of MARLENE GREBLER Daphna Poskanzer and family

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Dunblane begins to bury its dead

DUNBLANE (Reuter) - The people of Dunblane yesterday buried the first of the 16 little children slaughtered last week in a vengeful attack by an embittered former scoutmaster.

Friends and families of the children, all aged five and six, started a harrowing week of funerals by laying to rest Joanna Ross and Emma Crozier, best friends and classmates in the doomed primary one class at Dunblane Primary School.

Those inside the gloomy grey church and a further 500 standing in the churchyard were left alone by the massed eyes of the world's media, who agreed to stay away from the funerals. Details of the service were passed to journalists by the police.

The two five-year-olds were among those gunned down last Wednesday by firearms fanatic Thomas Hamilton, who also killed a teacher before shooting himself.

"To their respective parents each child was precious, loved

dearly and cared for tenderly at home," priest William Gilmour told the hundreds of people crammed into a church in Bridge of Allan, just three km from Dunblane.

"We can appreciate their high hopes for the future womanhood of Emma and Joanna. However, as we are too tragically aware, neither (girl) was allowed to fulfil her parents' aspirations."

The funerals of Abigail McLennan and Kevin Hassel, also aged five, were due to be held at a small Dunblane church later in the day.

Six more of the murdered youngsters will be buried or cremated today. The rest, including teacher Gwenne Mayor, will have their funerals tomorrow and Thursday. Authorities have not said what they plan to do with Hamilton's body.

Hospital workers said the eight children and two teachers still in hospital were all improving.

Col Austin and Annie Adam, who had been in intensive care,

were taken off the critical list at a hospital in Glasgow and doctors said they were progressive satisfactorily.

The five wounded children in Stirling Royal Infirmary were also reported in good condition and two were expected to be sent home later in the week.

Dunblane Primary School was scheduled to re-open on Friday. When students return, they will be greeted with a huge pile of stuffed toys sent from well-wishers around the world.

Joanna Ross and Emma Crozier should have been inside the school yesterday morning, surrounded by the bright paintings and paper cut-outs that adorn the walls and windows of classrooms.

The congregation sang hymns and relatives spoke about the little girls, their words relayed via loudspeakers to those standing outside. Many were in tears.

Some 100 cars lined either side of the road outside the church, heavily guarded by police.



Sex Pistols (from left) Paul Cook, Johnny Rotten, Steve Jones, and Glen Matlock pose for photographers yesterday after announcing in London that they are to reform their ways and start a world tour in July. (Reuter)

As Dole ponders, Powell dominates

WASHINGTON (AP) - To Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar, it would be an "electrifying choice" with the potential to dramatically strengthen the Republican Party.

To conservative activist Gary Bauer, it would be a "terrible mistake," one that cost the GOP votes by the droves.

Colin Powell, for his part, says it's a moot discussion - he has no interest in being the Republican vice presidential choice, a point he reiterated over the weekend.

But that hasn't stopped a fierce debate, one certain to carry over until all-but-certain nominee Bob Dole decides on his running mate - or flatly rules out Powell.

Neither is likely to happen soon. Dole doesn't plan to make his vice presidential pick until the Republican convention in August, and he is clearly intrigued with the idea of filling the ticket with Powell, the black retired general whose enormous popularity crosses party and racial lines.

So the debate over picking Powell appears certain to carry on through the end of the primary season, if for no other reason than Dole rival Pat Buchanan has vowed to lead a convention revolt if Dole turns to Powell.

In objecting, Buchanan cites Powell's support for abortion rights and his warnings that Republicans risk looking intolerant if they rush too quickly to end affirmative action programs and crack down on immigration.

Buchanan, however, may have little leverage: He

has but 77 convention delegates - there will be roughly 2,000 total - and his prospects for gaining much in remaining primaries are not good.

But he is hardly alone in opposing Powell.

"I think Powell would be a great secretary of state, but to put him on as vice president would guarantee that the first six weeks after the convention would be spent trying to get the party's conservative base back in line," said Bauer, a conservative social activist who heads the Family Research Council.

The Christian Coalition, the most politically active group in the Christian right, has also sent public signals that it views Powell as unacceptable.

"He should choose a running mate that will not be irreconcilable to the Republican Party's winning majority of 1994," said executive director Ralph Reed.

While Dole speaks glowingly of Powell, most of his senior political aides are wary of the idea, concerned about a conservative backlash.

Others also worry that the Kansas senator would look weak if it were viewed that he picked Powell because he believed it was the only way to defeat President Clinton. And some fear that Dole would be overshadowed by his running mate because of the interest in the first black candidate on a major party ticket.

Still, those within the Dole camp who are torn on the Powell question said the general's actions over the spring will determine whether he is interested and acceptable.

China, Taiwan evacuate front-line islands

CHINA and Taiwan ordered the evacuation of front-line islands in the Taiwan Strait yesterday but poor weather appeared to have ruled out any fresh Chinese war games.

The chief of staff of the People's Liberation Army, Fu Quanyou, said in Beijing that China must stand guard against the efforts of Western enemies who want to divide the country.

"Western enemy forces' efforts to westernise and divide China will not change and the activities of Taiwan independence forces aimed at splitting the motherland will not cease," the official Xinhua news agency reported him as saying.

China has been conducting missile tests off Taiwan and war games in the Taiwan Strait in a show of strength it says is aimed at keeping the island from declaring independence.

The US has sent an aircraft carrier task force to the region and another is on the way. Beijing has warned US warships to stay out of the Taiwan Strait but Washington insists it has the right to move its forces through international waters.

In one chilling sidelight, a senior US official said some lower-level Chinese officials had

told American officials Beijing would aim nuclear bombs at Los Angeles if the United States defended Taiwan against any future Chinese attack.

US officials, however, viewed the threat as rhetoric.

China signalled it would go ahead with plans for the sea, air and ground war games, ordering residents of islands it controls to evacuate by yesterday afternoon.

Residents of several Chinese-held islands in the Taiwan Strait were moved out and fishermen were forced to stop operations in the area.

Military fighters roared overhead and naval ships steamed in and out of fishing ports, said officials in Pingtan island, a command post for the military manoeuvres in China's southeastern Fujian province.

"There are tanks, troop carriers and other military vehicles all over. The army has taken charge of local traffic," a radio station official said by telephone.

A Taiwanese defense ministry spokesman, referring to an area around the northern part of the Taiwan Strait where China was scheduled to launch its latest manoeuvres yesterday, said: "Because of bad weather we have not discovered any air or naval activities."

In Brunei, a Chinese official said Beijing's approach to the Taiwan issue has no relation to another territorial dispute over the Spratly Islands. China, Malaysia, the Philippines, Brunei and Vietnam claim all or parts of the Spratlys, islands in the South China Sea believed to be rich in oil and gas.

Vice Foreign Minister Tang Jiaxuan was answering a question about nervousness among the rival claimants after China began intimidating Taiwan with war games.

Taiwan, he said, was an "internal matter," while the Spratlys involved several other nations in the region.

"One should not confuse one with the other. The good relations with ASEAN (the Association of Southeast Asian Nations) countries including Brunei will certainly not be affected by the current events in the (Taiwan) Straits," he said.

Winnie Mandela accused in court of adultery

JOHANNESBURG (AP) - In poignant, electric testimony, President Nelson Mandela accused his estranged wife, Winnie, of adultery yesterday at the start of divorce proceedings that promised to be contentious.

Under direct examination by his lawyer, Mandela said that years of rumors that his wife had been unfaithful were proven to him in 1992 when a newspaper editor showed him a letter allegedly written by Mrs. Mandela to a lover.

The letter "confirmed my decision never to reconcile with the defendant," Mandela said, standing erect in the witness stand and speaking in a clear, forceful voice.

"I'm determined to get rid of this marriage. It exists only on paper," Mandela said he was convinced his wife wrote the letter, which was published in South African newspapers shortly after the couple separated in 1992. The letter's writer professed love for a Johannesburg attorney named Dali Mpofo, and said her own marriage collapsed because of the affair.

The letter also linked Mpofo and Mrs. Mandela to the possible misuse of African National Con-

gress funds.

Mrs. Mandela and Mpofo, who served on her defense team during her 1991 kidnapping trial, have denied having an affair.

Mrs. Mandela took notes and looked down as her husband testified. She wore a black and gold silk blouse.

Mandela told the court that when he left prison in 1990 after serving 27 years of a life sentence, he went to live with his wife in her mansion in the black township of Soweto. They experienced no real intimacy, he said.

"I was the loneliest man during the period I stayed with her," Mandela said.

When Mandela finished testifying, he walked over to his wife's bench and shook hands with her and her lawyers. He was scheduled to return to the stand for cross-examination today.

The spectacle of one of the world's most respected statesmen testifying about the most private aspects of his life drew hundreds of people to the courthouse. They waited outside for hours and waved at Mandela's motorcade as he left.

Kurd violence angers Germans

BONN (AP) - The government and opposition parties were in broad agreement yesterday to crack down on violent Kurds and to punish and deport their leaders after bloody clashes with policemen in several German cities.

With an eye on important state elections this weekend, politicians from a broad spectrum said Germany's patience with militant Kurds had been exhausted.

"Enough is enough," said Wolfgang Schaenble, floor leader of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democrats in the federal parliament.

Violent Kurds had "used up their right to hospitality," and have to be punished and deported, said a statement from the executive board of the opposition Social Democrats.

Some warned against overzealous measures and using Kurdish-inspired disturbances to score cheap political points.

But all parties sharply condemned the latest violence Saturday, when clashes between Kurdish demonstrators and police left 1,500 Kurds arrested and about 400 people injured.

Mugabe gains embarrassing victory in Zimbabwe poll

HARARE (AP) - Just over 30 percent of voters cast ballots in Zimbabwe's presidential elections, giving President Robert Mugabe, the certain winner, the lowest voter turnout since becoming the first black ruler 16 years ago.

Mariyawanda Zuwa, head of the state elections directorate, said about 1.5 million people voted and another 220,000 were turned away because they reported to the wrong polling stations. Results were expected today.

The low turnout was an embar-

assment for Mugabe, who campaigned nationwide to dispel apathy and win a convincing mandate to counter complaints he has turned a once promising democracy into dictatorship.

The figures from the two-day vote also expressed a sharp decline in public confidence. In the last presidential election in 1990, turnout among the 4.9 million registered voters was 54 percent.

Declaring that the election was decided in advance, Mugabe's two opponents tried to withdraw last week. But elections officials

declared that neither candidate had filed to pull out in time and were still in the race, giving Mugabe the semblance of opposition.

In early counting yesterday, Mugabe won all but one of the first seven constituencies counted. The other went to the Rev. Ndabangwi Sithole in his southeastern home stronghold of Chipinge.

Sithole, who had tried to withdraw after declaring the secret police had disrupted his campaign, had urged his supporters

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BUSINESS & FINANCE

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Shohat to act on Procaccia Report

THE government and Bank of Israel will have to quickly react to the findings of the Procaccia Report, Finance Minister Avraham Shohat said yesterday in reaction to its publication.

Shohat said he will give the government his recommendations on the Procaccia Report only after it is checked by all the relevant bodies.

GALIT LIPKIS BECK said Swari's report supports their claims. Agriculture Minister Ya'acov Tsuri issued a statement demanding the banks and government of Israel to conduct an official inquiry into the alleged over-

to instruct the banks to positively respond to the kibbutzim's demands to receive bank statements. He emphasized the urgency in signing the supplementary arrangement, especially for kibbutzim situated in border areas, which are in a threat of insolvency.

Hakibbutz Ha'artzi may be prevented from signing the agreement due to the decision of Hakibbutz Ha'artzi's board to discuss the issue tomorrow morning. In the meantime, supporters of the Settlement Headquarters, which commissioned the Procaccia Report and has long contended that banks have over-

Barron Chase Securities plans to open regional office here

BARRON Chase Securities plans to open a branch here as a basis for its activities in the Middle East, the company announced yesterday.

GALIT LIPKIS BECK said the Israeli branch will be equally owned by Barron Chase and a group of businessmen headed by adviser and businessman Roy Kol.

Barron Chase president Robert Kirk said the decision to open a branch follows his visit here in February and a thorough examination of alternative locations to open an office in the region.

ISRAEL MONEY MARKETS. Table with columns for currency, deposit rates (3 months, 6 months, 12 months), and exchange rates (shekel, U.S. dollar, German mark, etc.).

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Economy grows 7% in '95: Figures released yesterday by the Central Bureau of Statistics confirmed previous estimates that the economy grew last year by seven percent, while the business product expanded by 9% and average consumption rose by 5%.

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while earnings per share rose to NIS 0.60 from NIS 0.52. The company, owned by Israel Corp. subsidiaries Israel Cold Storage and Shipping and Supply (58%) and by Clal Industries (22%), itself owns 74% of beverage manufacturer Jaf-Ora Tabari.

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Dollar crossrates (US)

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Table with columns: Metal, Last, Change. Lists prices for Gold, Silver, Platinum, etc.

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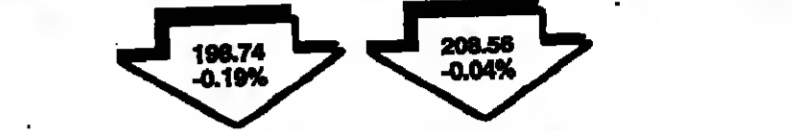
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TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET

ROBERT DANIEL



Two-Sided Index Maof Index

SHARE indexes finished little changed yesterday as a report showing a steady money supply in February offset investors' concern about faster-than-expected consumer-price inflation.

FTSE boosted by advance on Wall St.

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON (Reuters) - Shares rebounded from Friday's sharply lower finish, ending a quiet session moderately higher helped by advances on Wall Street, dealers said.

Dow Jones posts sharp rise

WALL STREET REPORT

NEW YORK (Reuters) - The Dow Jones industrial average gained more than 80 points yesterday amid a continued drop in long-term interest rates.

CURRENCY CROSS-RATES

Table with columns: MARK, STERLING, YEN, SFY, FFf. Lists exchange rates for various currencies.

PLAN

(Continued from Page 1) The Likud and Ehd Olmert, Shiran said. "Beilin never gave this academic research, which he has nothing to do with, to Hirschfeld or Pundak or to any Palestinian. Beilin and the Labor Party believe that, as part of any negotiated settlement, Jerusalem will remain under Israeli sovereignty as the capital of Israel."

MURDER

(Continued from Page 1) dered. The underworld was shocked when it was revealed that Harari had provided police with evidence on Zecharia's murderer in return for the closing of criminal files against him.

MOSSAD

(Continued from Page 1) ing Syrian refusal to condemn the bombings. There is no expectation of progress on that track before elections are held in Israel on May 29.

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SPORTS

Mac. TA increases league lead

RICHARD ZAACKS

MACCABI Tel Aviv defeated hosts Maccabi Risbon Lezion 99-92 in the only National Basketball League action last night. Oded Katash scored 26 points in another fine all-around game to boost Maccabi's record to 17-1 and give the team its largest lead of the season - three games over Hapoel Jerusalem.

od, as Oliver scored 19 second-half points. But the hosts were playing without injured forward Kobi Balul, and Maccabi continuously exploited the defensive hole in front to rebuild the lead. Rishton's last thrust came with 1:20 remaining, as Gully scored a basket to cut the margin to 92-87. But the hosts were then forced to foul, and Leaf and Doron Jamchoe made six consecutive free throws to seal the victory for Tel Aviv. For the winners, who played without the injured Radisav Curic the entire second half, Katash had 26 points, Chambers 17, Leaf 16, Nadav Henefeld 11, and Daniel 10. For Risbon, Oliver and Gully both had 27.

Table with columns: National Basketball League, W, L, Pts. Rows include Maccabi Tel Aviv, Hapoel Jerusalem, Bnei Herzliya, Hapoel Galil Elyon, Maccabi Rishon, Hapoel Safed, Hapoel Holon, Hapoel Tel Aviv, Hapoel Eilat, Maccabi Jerusalem, Maccabi Ramat Gan, Hapoel Ovet.

Taylor: Cricket is breaking down

LAHORE, Pakistan (Reuter) - Australian captain Mark Taylor has warned cricket's rulers that they must act decisively or risk the game sliding into chaos before the end of the century. Taylor believes the sport is facing an uncertain future at international level unless controversial subjects such as ball-tampering are addressed by the International Cricket Council (ICC) without delay. "I think the game's breaking down," said Taylor, after his side had been well beaten by Sri Lanka in Sunday's World Cup final which featured two teams with an acrimonious relationship in recent months. "There's a lot that has to be looked into at the moment. Things like ball-tampering, throwing and all the things that have created controversy. We've got to stop sweeping them under the carpet...if we don't we're going to lose this great game."

hand up. All the various countries in the world have got to give someone the power. If that means the ICC, then let it be the ICC," he said. "Someone's got to do it because we can't sweep these things under the carpet any longer. It's going to break the game down to the detriment of everyone. "We've got to make sure that some of the things that happened at the start of the tournament don't happen again. Taylor said the captain's meeting before the World Cup had been an important step in the right direction. "We have to get things off our chest. If everyone does that and gets everything out on the table we can right the wrongs and get on and make this a better game. "I certainly hope the ICC listen to us. If we don't do anything about it, the game will break down and people won't want to watch it any more." Australia's decision not to play their World Cup group game in Sri Lanka for security reasons made the team a target for abuse the moment they arrived on the sub-continent, and Taylor admitted it had made his side's job more difficult. "We came over here under a real cloud of controversy. There were various former Test cricketers telling us we should be banned for a year, there were others saying we shouldn't be allowed to play in the tournament. As for the final, Taylor insisted there had been no significant problems between the sides. "I always shake hands after the game. Whatever gripe I might have I always shake hands," he

Inbar sails into 7th place

HEATHER CHAIT

THE Amit Inbar/Gal Friedman struggle for supremacy continued yesterday on the second and last day of the World Windsurfing Championships preliminary rounds in Haifa. Competing against the world's best, Inbar finished first in both his sprints in an extraordinary display of mastery over the waves. Inbar is now lying in seventh place overall while his Olympic rival Friedman is just one notch below him. Friedman, whose first day score slotted him into 47th place against Inbar's 26, also performed brilliantly yesterday, ending his two races in second and sixth places. His eighth place is indeed creditable but based on their previous encounters, Friedman must beat Inbar by two places to be awarded the one Olympic berth. Inbar, on the other hand, needs to lead Friedman by one place only. New Zealand's Bruce Kendall retained his overnight general lead while his sister Barbara is second among the women. Holland's Martin Van Geemen and Jean de Chavigny from France lie behind Kendall. Maud Herbert from France continues to lead among the women while Michal Hein and Sivan Yosef finished in 33rd and 49th places respectively. All the windsurfers have a free day today before the top 60 men proceed to tomorrow's final rounds which continue until Saturday. A minimum of five races have to be sailed over the four final days. These results, together with half of the scores from the preliminary rounds, minus the worst result, will comprise the eventual result of each participant.



BEARER OF BAD NEWS - Mark Taylor says it problems in cricket aren't sooo addressed, the game will 'break down.' (Reuter)

Australia beats Israel in World Bowls tourney

ISRAEL'S trips lost its first encounter against Australia 15-12 in a nail-biting contest at the World Bowls Championships yesterday. Thirty national teams have converged for the quadrennial tourney with Israel entering the arena with an overall three-place finish in 1992, including the gold medal in the trips and the bronze in the singles. The trio of Jeff Rabkin, Leon Blum and Lawrence Mendelsohn started off in grand style to take a 7-1 lead at the end of the fifth end. Then the Aussies caught fire, leveling at

8-all at the 11th end and going ahead 11-8 at the 13th. Israel rallied for a brief 12-11 lead at the 16th, but the Aussies finished hard to win. In the pairs, Chaim Miller and George Kaminsky overwhelmed the hosts to win 33-5. Scotland, which won the pairs gold four years ago, scraped through 21-20 against South

Africa. The trips play Kenya and Guernsey today while the pairs take on Western Samoa and the Norfolk Islands. Rabkin will try to improve upon his singles bronze medal by taking on South Africa's formidable Neil Burkett; and Mendelsohn will skip the fours together with Miller, Kaminsky and Blum. Australia has the decided advantage, playing on home territory which offers one of the world's fastest greens.

Red Wings clinch Central Division

DETROIT (AP) - The Detroit Red Wings clinched the Central Division title Sunday, getting a goal and an assist from Igor Larionov to beat the Calgary Flames 4-2. The Red Wings, the only NHL team to even clinch a playoff spot, won their sixth straight and are 10-1 in their last 11. Chris Osgood stopped 26 shots for his 12th straight win and remained unbeaten (17-0-1) in his last 18 starts. Osgood was looking for his sixth shutout of the season until Theo Fleury scored at 13:30 of the third period.

without All-Star defenseman Chris Chelios, leading scorer Roesack and second-line wing Murray Craven. Niklas Andersson scored for the Islanders. Zigmund Palffy's goal-scoring streak ended after seven games; it was the NHL's longest this season. Senators 5, Lightning 0. Damian Rhodes recorded his second straight shutout, as host Ottawa set a franchise record for victories. The Senators, who entered the league for the 1992-93 season, reached their 15th victory in 68 games. They won 14 games in 1993-94. Rhodes stopped 30 shots, including 14 in the second period.

Table with columns: Eastern Conference, Western Conference, Pacific Division. Rows include Pittsburgh, Montreal, Boston, Hartford, Buffalo, Ottawa, St. Louis, Toronto, Winnipeg, Dallas, Colorado, Vancouver, Calgary, Anaheim, Edmonton, Los Angeles, San Jose.

Israelis can now watch cricket with the best of them

IT'S happening again. Israelis can now watch cricket with the best of them. The final of the Gaddafi entered my home. I was ready to enter a new life mode. At this World Cup, most of the matches started during the early hours of the morning and ended in the afternoon. The day-night matches made things a little easier on the biological clock and as with the final on Sunday, the match began at noon and ended after 3 pm. It has been a pleasure, as always, to watch cricket. Even if it is not the purest and most intriguing kind. The Sri Lankans won everybody's hearts and thoroughly deserved their victory, earning the title of world champions of the one-day game in the most spectacular fashion imaginable. There was no fluke in the victory, with the islanders' extravagant stroke play and daring tactics dealing out poetic justice on the arrogant Aussies, who caused them much hardship Down Under and then added insult to injury by refusing to play in Colombo for security reasons. The final at the Gaddafi

Stadium at River Plate. It is only a pity that the Indian supporters in Calcutta forced the abandonment of the semifinal between their side and Sri Lanka. I only hope that the plague of violence which is much more apparent in other sports does not become a more regular feature in cricket. Other sports, though, would do well to observe match referee Clive Lloyd's actions. After halting proceedings once for 20 minutes, he then ruled that the home team would have to forfeit the match because their fans were endangering the opposition's players. Sri Lanka was going to win anyway, but this kind of forthright action, in which plain on-the-spot punishment is delivered, is something FIFA, in particular, should consider adopting, instead of dabbling with ridiculous rule changes. Perhaps if Betar Jerusalem was to be slapped with a defeat and a subsequent loss of three valuable points every time its fans misbe-

have been the management would not have to appear at the IFA disciplinary committee every week. TV coverage from the various venues across the subcontinent was fairly uneven at the beginning of the tournament and added features such as the stump vision and super slo-mo were not available for every match. More importantly, the third umpire did not always have enough cameras to aid him in making a ruling on line decisions and this was no more evident than when Sanath Jayasuriya was dubiously adjudged run out in the final. Such mishaps are certain to force organizers to think harder for future competitions. The next World Cup takes place in England in 1999. I have every intention of being there, at least for a part of the tournament. But in keeping with tradition, I know it is highly unlikely that I will see England take the trophy. The home team has never yet won the World Cup and on its showing this time, it certainly doesn't deserve to.

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Unions will strike tomorrow unless demands met

THE large unions are threatening to strike tomorrow unless the Treasury accepts their demands for a new pension plan by 10 this morning.

The unions rejected the draft agreement reached yesterday morning between representatives of the Finance Ministry and the Histadrut, after negotiating through the night. The unions said that despite the progress made in the ministry's positions, the Treasury had reneged on some of the oral agreements reached the previous night.

Histadrut chairman MK Amir Peretz and Finance Minister Avraham Shohat announced yesterday morning that they had reached an agreement on the pension plan and that the crisis was over.

But the unions said that after the Treasury had reneged on the oral agreements, they would accept nothing less than the final agreements

MICHAEL YUDELMAN

in writing.

"After we were burnt once and agreed to call off the strike which was planned for Sunday, the Treasury translated the agreements into a written document which distorted the understandings and damaged the pension rights of the workers. This time we won't give in so easily," a union spokesman said. "We received a vague and complicated document."

Interior Minister Haim Ramon, who had formulated the pension plan with the Finance Ministry last year, visited the union leaders' meeting today in an attempt to vindicate himself. He said that when the Treasury published the final pension plan, which significantly

infringed on the workers' pension rights, he was no longer in the Histadrut and therefore was not responsible for it.

One of the main points of contention between the unions and the Treasury is the wage basis for calculating the pension benefit when the worker retires. Another is the annual wage raise to be part of the pension calculation.

The unions and the Histadrut are demanding the basis be the wage paid April 1 of this year. The Treasury insisted on calculating the pension according to the average wage over three or five years, which would greatly reduce the base. Shohat agreed the pension plan must be amended to reduce the damage to the workers' pensions, and reiterated his promise of a year ago that the 150,000 pensioners will not be harmed by the new plan.



President Ezer Weizman shares a toast with new Jordanian Ambassador Omar Rifai at Beit Hanassi yesterday. (Brian Hendler)

Clalit threatens one-day strike over pension rights

JUDY SIEGEL

SOME 30,000 Kupat Holim Clalit workers are threatening to hold a one-day strike in the health fund's hospitals and clinics tomorrow, in protest of "delays in arranging pension rights of veteran workers," the union said yesterday.

Moshe Zelinger, acting chairman of the union, said the strike will encompass all sectors. He blamed the Treasury for "holding back a solution and harming the rights of long-time staffers."

The directorate of the Central Pension Fund approved a change in the calculation of pensionable wages from the system of "averages" during the entire working career to the average wage during the last three years on the job, he said.

This decision was approved by the Histadrut as well, said Ze-

linger, "after it was persuaded that a move to the new technique was justified." Using the old method of calculation, he said, would mean the loss of half of the pensioner's income.

The last-three-years' method was used for several years by the Central Pension Fund, but seven years ago it was replaced by the other method "without the workers' or the directorate being told," Zelinger said.

Pension expert Ya'acov Antlersaid the Central Pension Fund can return to the last-three-years' method without being weakened. This method is being used by Mivtahim and other large pension funds, he said. Kupat Holim Clalit spokeswoman Rahel Blustein said the dispute did not involve the health fund's management.

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Haifa 10-18
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Forecast: Partly cloudy, chance of local rain in the south towards the evening.

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London	01	04	cloudy
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Haifa	10	18	partly cloudy
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Afula	10	18	partly cloudy
Samarina	07	13	partly cloudy

Gov't may file complaint against 'Ha'aretz'

LIAT COLLINS

THE Prime Minister's Office is considering filing a complaint against Ha'aretz for publishing the name of the next Mossad head in an editorial and small news item yesterday.

The rest of the Israeli media refrained from publishing the name outright, although strong hints made the candidate's identity obvious. The legal status of Ha'aretz's move is unclear since the newspaper dropped out of the gentlemen's agreement between the Editors Committee and the censor.

Two years ago Ha'aretz writer Yossi Melmao petitioned the

High Court of Justice to be allowed to publish the names of the General Security Service and Mossad chiefs. Although the case has yet to be resolved in court, the GSS head's name has since been revealed as a result of media pressure.

Last night, Prime Minister Shimon Peres's spokesman issued a statement saying Peres sees Ha'aretz's move as "very grave" in light of the censor's ban on the publication of the name. Peres said publication of such matters "is unacceptable."

Total separation is not desirable - US expert

RAINE MARCUS

"TOTAL separation is impossible and is not desirable for both Palestinian and Israeli peoples," US President Bill Clinton's adviser on terror Phil Wilcox yesterday told Internal Security Minister Moshe Shahal.

Palestinians and Israelis will cross the Green Line at common checkpoints, and not separate ones, as previously planned, Shahal told Wilcox and a US anti-terror team on a tour of the Sharon area.

The tour aimed to show the visitors the sensitivity of the area, bordering on Arab villages a few kilometers from Kfar Sava.

The visit followed pledges by the US government to provide \$100 million in hi-tech equipment to help implement Shahal's separation plan.

"The US believes in the destiny of the Israeli and Palestinian peoples to live in peace and to share this small area," Wilcox said, "but security of both peoples must be assured so that terrorists or criminals do not disrupt the peace process. This scheme [the separation plan] is designed for this purpose."

Shahal said it was a "great shame that the separation plan was not adopted a year ago." He envisaged the plan's implementation would take another year or two.

Wilcox confirmed the US will supply sophisticated technological equipment for what Shahal now terms the "Green Zone."

A source said much of the technology - including radar systems, sensors, and telescopic sights - is based on joint US-Israeli research and development.

"We decided that mutual checkpoints for both Palestinian and Israeli vehicles are preferable for two reasons," said Shahal. "The first - to avert the possibility of a terrorist vehicle infiltrating the Israeli checkpoint; and the second, because we don't want to distinguish between race or color and create an unpleasant situation."

The tour started at the new settlement of Matan, currently under construction, situated on the Green Line overlooking Kfar Haba.

Showing Wilcox the proximity of Kfar Sava to Kalkilya, police explained an electric fence may separate the two towns and a wall be erected between Matan and surrounding Arab villages.

"Britain is a convenient transit point for Hamas funds," Shahal said.

"Hopefully now, both the British and German governments will do everything to eradicate such organizations and stop the flow of money to terrorists," he added.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Egyptian MPs postpone visit to Israel

An Egyptian parliamentary delegation has postponed indefinitely a trip to Israel, an Egyptian diplomatic source said yesterday. The international Arabic newspaper al-Hayat said the delegation postponed because the visit because Israel kept parliamentarians waiting at the border when they went to Gaza on March 7 for the opening of the Palestinian Council. The diplomat said the problem was tension in relations after "It's because of the tension in Israeli-Palestinian relations after the suicide bombings and the siege imposed on Palestinian self-rule areas."

King Hussein to address AIPAC
King Hussein has accepted an invitation by the American-Israeli Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) to address their annual policy conference alongside Prime Minister Shimon Peres in Washington on April 28. It would mark the first time Hussein would take the extraordinary step of addressing the Jewish lobby in the US. Some sources on Capitol Hill have suggested that Congressional debt relief for Jordan as well as the F-16A jet fighter sale would not have gone through without AIPAC's lobby on Jordan's behalf. The king's nephew, Prince Talal, was instrumental in persuading Hussein to address AIPAC, as was Jordan's envoy to Washington, Fayiz Tarawach.

Court must review police talks with journalist in Deri case

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THE Supreme Court yesterday ordered the Jerusalem District Court to examine the records of police interviews with journalist Mordechai Gilat, to determine whether anything in the interviews might be relevant to Aryeh Deri's defense against corruption charges.

Deri first learned about the interviews when Asst.-Cmdr. Meir Gilboa testified for the prosecution in Deri's trial. Under cross-examination, Gilboa said he had met several times with Yediot Aharonot journalist Gilat regarding the police investigation of Deri, and Deri therefore asked to see the records of the meetings. The state refused, saying the material was irrelevant to the trial, and the district court ruled in the state's favor without examining the material itself. Deri therefore appealed.

Deri argued that this material could be important to back up his claim that he initially refused to cooperate with the police because the police were leaking details of the investigation to the press; to support his claim that charges against him should be dropped because of the way the police handled his case, and in case the records provided clues to additional material that might help prove his innocence.

Justice Ya'akov Kedmi accepted the state's argument that for the first two purposes, it was enough to know the meetings took place; what was actually said at them was irrelevant. He also rejected Deri's argument that the defense should be allowed to decide for itself whether there was anything useful in the material.

However, he said, because of certain details regarding the meetings which emerged during Gilboa's cross-examination, it would have been appropriate for the district court to examine the material itself before ruling that it was irrelevant.

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